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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending, commonly assigned U.S. Patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/663,788 to KOBAYASHI et al., filed September 17, 2003, and entitled "Diagnosis Supporting Device" and

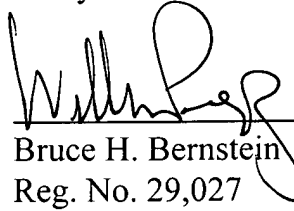
U.S. Patent Application No. 10/260,335 to IIDA et al., filed October 1, 2002 and entitled "Electronic Endoscope With Light-Amount Adjustment Apparatus"

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-noted U.S. Patent applications, as filed, are attached hereto.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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